

NOTICE TO ALL TIMBER PURCHASERS

Compartment 66/67/68 NS Thinning Catahoula R.D.

Bids will be received at the Forest Supervisor's Office, 2500 Shreveport Highway, Pineville, LA on September 4, 2014 at 9:00 AM.

LOCATION: This sale is located approximately three (3) miles south of Dry Prong, LA in T7N R2W, Sections 25,26,34,35 & 36 of Grant Parish.

INCLUDED TIMBER: The sale area consists of about 819 acres, of which an estimated 248 acres are designated for cutting. The sale contains six (6) Payment Units, all of which are designation by spacing thinning, which allows the purchaser to cut and remove 1) smaller diameter trees within 12 feet of a live pine tree that has a larger stump diameter than it and the larger tree is not designated for cutting; and 2) all trees within skid corridors which are no more than 14 feet wide and no closer than 70 feet apart measured center to center. The boundaries of the Payment Units are marked with orange paint.

SPECIAL PRODUCT DESIGNATION: This sale contains a special product designation, *Pine Non-saw*, with merchantability standards of 5.0" to 12.9" DBH, at least 10 feet in height to a top diameter of 4.0" DOB. Subsequently, the specifications for a *Pine Sawtimber* tree will be changed to 13.0" DBH and above, at least 12 feet in height to a top diameter of 7" DOB or a limiting merchantability factor, whichever comes first.

LENGTH OF CONTRACT: The Contract termination date will be **June 30, 2017.**

FORM AD-3030-FS: Corporations submitting an offer under this solicitation must include form AD-3030-FS Representations Regarding Felony Conviction and Tax Delinquent Status for Corporate Applicants. The form is located behind Page 5 of the Bid for Advertised Timber.

EROSION CONTROL: The Purchaser will be responsible for seeding and fertilizing approximately **3.5** acres to Forest Service specifications. The Purchaser may elect to enter into a cooperative agreement with the Forest Service to have the Erosion Control work performed in exchange for a cooperative deposit in the amount of **\$1,492.98.**

PREHAUL ROAD MAINTENANCE: The Purchaser will be required to perform Pre-Haul Road Maintenance on **1.89** miles of Forest Service roads **C066A, 116 & 162** prior to hauling. The work includes placing **50 tons** of Winn Rock and **726 cubic yards** of pit run on these roads. A cost allowance of **\$23,094.00** is estimated for this work and should be considered a logging cost for prospective bidders. See sample contract for specific information.

ROAD MAINTENANCE: The purchaser will be responsible for making a required deposit (16 U.S.C. 537) in the amount of **\$0.40** per CCF (approximately **\$1,899.32**) for using Forest Service roads to haul timber. Additionally, a cost allowance for Purchaser required road maintenance on secondary roads of approximately **\$400.00** has been made in the appraised value of the timber.

SLASH DISPOSAL: In Payment Units **1** through **6**, Slash Disposal will be required in areas where slash accumulation is higher than 2 feet.

All interested bidders should investigate the sale area and the sample contract prior to submission of bids, and become familiar with the provisions mentioned above and others which apply to this timber sale contract. Please contact the District Office at (318) 765-3554 if you have any questions about this sale.